

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A waste receptacle having a base and at least one side extending therefrom comprising at least two foot pedals for selective extension from and retraction into the base and the side, the base and the side having at least two recessed housings formed therein each to accommodate a respective one of said foot pedals, and detents for releasably retaining said foot pedals in said selective extension from and retraction into the base.
2. A waste receptacle according to Claim 1 further comprising a plurality of shafts, each of said shafts being journaled in the waste receptacle to enable a respective one of said foot pedals to pivot selectively from said individual recessed housings to a position generally parallel with the base and to pivot into said individual recessed housing to a position generally flush with the waste receptacle side.
3. A waste receptacle according to Claim 1 further comprising a plurality of shafts, each of said shafts being journaled in the waste receptacle to enable a respective one of said foot pedals to pivot selectively from said individually recessed housings to a position generally parallel with the base and to pivot into said individual recessed housing to a position generally flush with the base.
4. A waste receptacle according to Claim 1 wherein said detents further comprise a bearing surface on each of said foot pedals, each of said bearing surfaces having an indentation formed therein, a stop protruding from said respective recessed housings to engage selectively said bearing surface indentations and to releasably retain said foot pedals in said extension from the waste receptacle.
5. A waste receptacle according to Claim 4 further comprising a round formed in said respective foot pedal indentations, said rounds each facilitating said selective retractions of said foot pads into said recessed housings.
6. A waste receptacle according to Claim 4 wherein said protruding stops further comprise means for bridging across said recessed housings.